

SPECIAL MEETING

April 27, 1998

The Special Meeting of the Annapolis City Council was held on April 27, 1998 in the Council Chamber. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Johnson, Aldermen Hammond, Tolliver, Gilmer, Sachs, Carter

Alderman Moyer arrived at 7:35 p.m.
Alderman McMillan arrived at 7:36 p.m.

Staff Present: City Administrator Chitwood, City Attorney Goetzke, Finance Director Sulick, Planning and Zoning Director Arason

Mayor Johnson presented a Proclamation to Alderman Gilmer, Alderman Tolliver and several members of the Housing and Community Development Committee proclaiming April 27-May 3, 1998 "Community Development Week".

Mayor Johnson read a Proclamation declaring the month of April "Fair Housing Month".

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Community Report - Community Development Block Grant Program

Cheryl Nick, Cheryl Spriggs and Sylvia Randall spoke regarding their experiences with the Community Development Block Grant Program.

There being no voiced objection, the order of the Agenda was amended.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **O-19-98 For the purpose of increasing the membership of the Recreation Advisory Board from nine to eleven members; and all matters relating to said membership.**

Recreation Advisory Board Chair Taney Hamill, 111 Wardour Drive, Annapolis and Member Josh Cohen, 507 Burnside Street, Annapolis, spoke briefly.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

The regular order of the Agenda was resumed.

2. **Petition of Chesapeake Christian City Church, Inc. and William M. and Dorothy H. Fischer to consider the annexation to the City of Annapolis of a parcel of ground containing approximately 2.0 acres, more or less, lying near Newtowne Drive and Forest Drive, contiguous to the present boundary line of the City, as that boundary line now exists.**

O-21-98 For the purpose of establishing a zoning classification of R3, General Residence District, for the property lying near Forest Drive and Newtowne Drive, contiguous to the existing boundary of the City of Annapolis, known as the Fischer Property; and all matters relating to said zoning map amendment.

Planning and Zoning Director Arason presented a background report on the application.

Planning Commission Chair Scott presented the Commission's findings.

Mayor Johnson accepted into the record a Memorandum to the Annapolis City Council from the Planning Commission dated 2/19/98, and a Memorandum with attachments from Jon Arason, Director to the Planning Commission dated 1/26/98.

Jonathan A. Hodgson, 1919 West Street, attorney for the applicant, spoke briefly. The applicant, Rev. Michael A. Berry, President, Chesapeake Christian City Church, Inc., was present and answered questions addressed by the Council. Also present were William M. Fischer, Dorothy H. Fischer and Todd Wood, C.D. Meekins and Associates.

Speaking in favor of the application:

1. M. Theresa DeGraff
39 Windwhisper Lane
Annapolis, Md. 21403
2. Louise Beauregard
Christian Services, USA
2 Maryland Avenue
Annapolis, Md. 21401
3. Bonnie Mastros
615 Bywater Road
Annapolis, Md. 21401
4. Seymour Mastros
615 Bywater Road
Annapolis, Md. 21401
5. Annette Samaras
1607 Virginia Avenue
Annapolis, Md. 21401
6. Jenny Petruska
12 Winslow Court
Annapolis, Md. 21401
7. Cheryl Menendez
1418 Regent Street
Annapolis, Md. 21403
8. Tony Evans
3 Constitution Square
Annapolis, Md. 21401
9. Rhonda Simon
8 Alder Road
Annapolis, Md. 21402

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the application.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing on the annexion petition closed and the public hearing on O-21-98 open until May 4, 1998.

3. **CA-2-98** For the purpose of amending the Charter of the City of Annapolis to revise the general powers and duties of the City Council relative to appeals from the decisions of the Port Wardens.

City Attorney Goetzke spoke briefly.

Speaking in favor of the charter amendment:

1. Louise Beauregard
Christian Services, USA
2 Maryland Avenue
Annapolis, Md. 21401

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the charter amendment.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

There being no voiced objection, the order of the Agenda was amended.

4. **O-27-98** For the purpose of authorizing and empowering the City of Annapolis to issue and sell, upon its full faith and credit, Nineteen Million Four Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$19,425,000) maximum aggregate principal amount of its serial maturity general obligation, fully registered bonds, pursuant to the authority of Sections 31 through 37, inclusive, of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement), as amended, Section 24 of Article 31 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement) and Article VII, Section 11, of the Charter of the City of Annapolis, as amended, to be designated as "Public Improvements and Refunding Bonds, 1998 Series", said bonds to be issued and sold for the public purpose of financing certain capital projects and refunding all or a portion of the City of Annapolis Public Improvements Bonds, 1987 Refunding Series, Public Improvements Bonds, 1988 Series and Public Improvements Bonds, 1991 Series, as provided in this Ordinance; prescribing...and generally relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of all said bonds.

Finance Director Sulick spoke briefly. Stuart Diana, Esquire, Piper and Marbury, was present and answered questions addressed by the Council.

Speaking in favor of the ordinance:

1. Louise Beauregard
Christian Services, USA
2 Maryland Avenue
Annapolis, Md. 21401

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

5. **R-14-98** For the purpose of authorizing and providing for the issuance,

sale and delivery by the City of Annapolis, Maryland (the “City”) of its revenue bonds (the “Bonds”) pursuant to the provisions of the Maryland Economic Development Revenue Bond Act or such other statutory authority as may be effective when such revenue bonds are issued, in order to lend or otherwise make available the proceeds thereof to St. John’s College, a Maryland not-for-profit educational corporation (the “Borrower”),...and generally providing for and determining various matters in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of such revenue bonds and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Finance Director Sulick spoke briefly. Stuart Diana, Esquire, Piper and Marbury, Fred H. Billups, Jr., Treasurer, St. John’s College and Pat Airey, Esquire, Miles and Stockbridge were present and answered questions addressed by the Council.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the resolution.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

O-27-98 For the purpose of authorizing and empowering the City of Annapolis to issue and sell, upon its full faith and credit, Nineteen Million Four Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$19,425,000) maximum aggregate principal amount of its serial maturity general obligation, fully registered bonds, ...and generally relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of all said bonds.

Alderman Hammond moved to adopt O-27-98 on second reading. Seconded.

Alderman Gilmer moved to substitute the document entitled “Amended Ordinance O-27-98” for O-27-98. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The Finance Committee reported favorably on Amended Ordinance O-27-98.

The main motion, with the substituted document, CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Moyer moved to adopt Amended Ordinance O-27-98 on third reading. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

R-14-98 For the purpose of authorizing and providing for the issuance, sale and delivery by the City of Annapolis, Maryland (the “City”) of its revenue bonds (the “Bonds”) pursuant to the provisions of the Maryland Economic Development Revenue Bond Act or such other statutory authority as may be effective when such revenue bonds are issued, in order to lend or otherwise make available the proceeds thereof to St. John’s College, a Maryland not-for-profit educational corporation (the “Borrower”),...and generally providing for and determining various matters in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of such revenue bonds and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Alderman Hammond moved to adopt R-14-98. Seconded.

The Finance Committee reported favorably on R-14-98.

The main motion CARRIED on voice vote.

The regular order of the Agenda was resumed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. **O-1-98** **For the purpose of authorizing the lease renewal of certain municipal property located at the City Dock to Captain Paul's Charters, for a certain period of time, at a certain rental and under certain terms and conditions, for the purpose of docking and mooring a certain boat; and all matters relating to said lease.**

City Administrator Chitwood spoke briefly. Harbormaster Rick Dalgen was present and answered questions addressed by the Council.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

7. **O-11-98** **For the purpose of repealing in its entirety, Sec. 2.44.040, "Transportation advisory board"; creating a Transportation Commission; establishing its membership, duties, powers, and responsibilities; changing references throughout the Code to reflect the change from "Transportation Advisory Board" to "Transportation Commission"; and all matters relating to said Transportation Commission.**

City Administrator Chitwood spoke briefly. Planning and Zoning Director Arason was present and answered questions addressed by the Council.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

8. **O-13-98** **For the purpose of authorizing the lease of certain municipal property located at the City Dock to Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Inc., for calendar year 1998, for the purpose of docking and mooring the vessel known as "Stanley Norman"; and all matters relating to said lease.**

City Administrator Chitwood spoke briefly. Harbormaster Rick Dalgen was present.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

9. **O-15-98** **For the purpose of simplifying the voter identification process and enhancing the integrity of our elections; and all matters relating to said voter identification process.**

Alderman McMillan spoke briefly.

Speaking in opposition to the ordinance:

1. S. L. Earle, III
 1413 West Street
 Annapolis, Md. 21401

2. Tony Evans
3 Constitution Square
Annapolis, Md. 21401

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

**Patricia L. Bembe, CMC/AAE
City Clerk**